



PATENT Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 07553.0065

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

n re Application of:)
Katsuya OKUMURA <i>et al</i> .)) Group Art Unit: 2829
Application No.: 10/591,645))) Examiner: Benitez, Joshua
Filed: September 5, 2006))
For: PROBE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING PROBE) Confirmation No.: 1797)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action mailed April 17, 2008, with a period of response extending to May 19, 2008 (May 17, 2008 being a Saturday), Applicants respond herein to a restriction requirement, and also amend the claims.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

 $\label{lem:Remarks} \textbf{Remarks} \ \textbf{follow} \ \textbf{the amendment section of this paper}.$